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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was received by Applicant stating that "the amendment filed on April 13, 2006 is considered non-compliant because "New paragraph(s) should not be underlined. A copy of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is attached hereto.

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0563. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0563.

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of September 29,2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include a proposed new sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Appendix including a proposed new drawing figure is attached following page 19 of this paper.